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RED DEER, ALBERTA, DECEMBER 11th, 1906.

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CUT OUT THIS COUPON.

Library Voting Contest.

Good for Ten Votes.
Cut out, fill in name of organization you wish to vote for and deposit in box at Gaetz' Drug Store.
Name of favorite organization:
Name of Voter:

PASSENGER RATES REDUCED ON C. & E.

F. T. Fisher, secretary of the Board of Trade Edmonton, received a letter last week from the secretary of the railway commission of Canada stating that the C. P. R. will reduce the standard passenger rate on the C. & E. and east of the C. & E. from four cents to three and one-half cents per mile. The C. P. R. applied some time ago to the railway commission for the approval of their standard rate of 4 cents and the railway commission refused, whereupon the railway agreed to adopt the 3 1/2 cent rate.

A Denial.

In connection with an article published a short time ago in a Calgary paper about our townsmen Dr. Plaxton we have received information and have seen several statements which convince us that the article in question was utterly false and misleading from start to finish and was no doubt gotten up with the purpose of injuring the doctor's reputation and practice.
It seems a pity that a young business man should be subject to such an attack and we can assure him that he has the sympathy of a large number of the citizens of the town of Red Deer who do not for a moment believe him guilty of the charges made against him.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PINE LAKE CRICKET CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Pine Lake Cricket Club was held at the Pine Lake Post Office on Saturday, 10th, of November. Mr. H. Raikes in the chair. The meeting was well attended. The minutes of last year's meeting were read and confirmed. The Secretary then presented the accounts for the year which showed a balance to the credit on the Club of \$6.00, on the motion of D. B. Wilson, seconded by W. R. Charley, they were approved and passed. In accordance with the rules of the club the election of officers for the ensuing year was by ballot and resulted as follows:
H. Raikes—President.
W. R. Charley—Captain.
C. W. Wright—Vice-Captain.
L. J. Willis—Secretary.
It was moved by H. Raikes and seconded by W. R. Charley, that in future, elections for membership to the club that two black balls exclude instead of one. The challenge cup presented by Mr. Jacobson of Red Deer to be competed for each year by Red Deer and Pine Lake Cricket Clubs was won this year by Pine Lake. Messrs. Wincham and Atter having promised a bat to the member who had the best batting average for the season, the Secretary read out the averages and W. R. Charley was awarded the bat for an average of 25.1.
Tennis Tournament held during the summer resulted in A. B. Wilson and R. Page winning the doubles. The singles were not completed. A vote of thanks to the retiring officers was carried with acclamation. The meeting then adjourned.

REPORT OF LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE MEETING.

The annual business meeting of the Alberta Lord's Day Alliance, Red Deer Branch was held in the Presbyterian church this evening at 8 p.m. On account of the cold weather the attendance was small.
On motion Rev. Farrell was voted to the Chair, and Mr. McVicar performed the duties of Secretary.
Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Fortune.
Minutes of meeting were read by Secretary and by motion were approved. Some present thought that \$80 out of \$400 paid by Alberta for General Secretary's salary was rather high for Red Deer's share.
The Secretary in his Executive report stated that Mr. McKee and himself audited the Treasurer's

books and found them correct.

Mr. McVicar in absence of Mrs. Fulmer gave a general statement of the finances. Mrs. Greene on her return from Ottawa will publish a statement of receipts and expenditures in the Town papers. Officers for 1906-07.
Hon. Pres.-Rev. Dr. Gaetz; Pres.-Rev. Farrell; Hon. Vice Pres.-Mayor Gaetz; Vice Presidents-The pastors of the town and the priest; Secretary-John McVicar; Treasurer-Mrs. G. W. Greene. The following were added in addition to act in the Executive.
Presbyterian-Mr. Long; Methodist-Mr. W. Smith; Baptist-Mr. S. McKee; Episcopalian-Mr. Crawford; Catholic-Mr. Loiselle.
Collectors:
Baptist-Miss Baker; Catholic-Mr. Loiselle; Episcopalian-Mrs. Stephenson; Methodist-Miss L. Smith; Presbyterian-Mr. John Foster.
Moved by Rev. Fortune and seconded by Rev. Farrell, that the Secretary be instructed to write a letter of condolence to Mrs. Greene in the bereavement she has sustained in the death of her father the late Mr. Billings of Billings Bridge, Ottawa.
Meeting closed by singing a hymn and the benediction by Rev. A. C. Farrell.

School Report.

The following is a report of the attendance at the Public School during the month of November:
Department I. Principal's room.
Aggregate attendance 45
Average 39
Percentage, 87 per cent.
Department II. Miss Blanchet.
Aggregate attendance 53
Average 42
Percentage, 80 per cent.
Department III. Miss Cowan.
Aggregate attendance 45
Average 33
Percentage, 85 per cent.
Department IV. Miss Stephenson.
Aggregate attendance 43
Average 42
Percentage, 83 per cent.
Department V. Miss Wallace.
Aggregate attendance 35
Average 28
Percentage, 88 per cent.
Department VI. Miss Campbell.
Aggregate attendance 51
Average 37
Percentage, 72 per cent.
Number enrolled in school for month 277
Average attendance 226

LET THE GOVERNMENT WORK THE MINES.

Ottawa Dec. 6.—An important question is to be brought before Parliament at an early date by John Heron, Member for McLeod, Alta., he will move that, in the opinion of this House, coal lands owned by the government of Canada should only be alienated under such conditions and subject to such control and regulation as will provide for an immediate supply of coal, adequate at all times to the requirements of the people and at a reasonable price to consumer and that, in respect of coal lands already alienated, legislative provision should be made for such control and regulation in case of emergency as will, in future prevent loss and suffering to the people of the western provinces through lack of fuel supply.

OUR BRICK INDUSTRIES.

The brick yards of the town are closed for the season. The Piper Brick and Tile Co. have just finished burning a kiln of brick, and the Red Deer Brick Co. are burning a kiln at the present time, which will complete the season's output. Something over 4,000,000 brick have been manufactured by these two firms this year, and it is expected that this amount will be increased to 5,000,000 brick next season, as the latter firm intends making improvements this winter which will allow them to increase their output next year. During the winter over 4,000 cords of wood will be purchased by the two firms for next season's business at a probable cost of \$10,000 so that although the yards are closed down this large amount of cash will continue to circulate in the vicinity of Red Deer all winter.

VOTE IN LIBRARY CONTEST

The following is the vote as recorded up to Friday evening last:
Fire Brigade Dept. 5428.
Red Deer Public School 3703.
Public Library 3003.
Presbyterian S. S. 3004.
I. O. F. 1228.
I. O. O. F. 1050.
St. Luke's Church S. S. 960.
Methodist S. S. 685.
Baptist S. S. 521.
Woodmen 310.
Masonic Lodge 200.
Hospital 175.
Can. Order Forersters 7.

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| A New Rifle | Pair of Scissors |
| Pair of Field Glasses | Bread Making Machine |
| FOR BROTHER | FOR SISTER |
| Pair of Hockey Skates | A Set of Asbestos Irons |
| A New Rifle | Pair of Scissors |
| A Good Razor | Penknife |
| "Griffon" Knife | Nice Sewing Set |
| "Spalding" Hockey Stick | Nickle Plated Ware |

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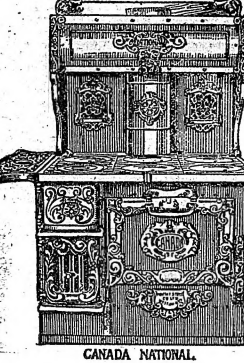
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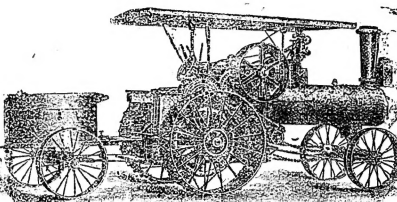
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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11th, 1906.

The New Tariff

How Mr. Fielding has brought down his new tariff and it is being criticized throughout the country as well as on the floor of the House of Commons. There is very little change, in the words of Mr. Fielding "it is on the whole about the same as before." An attempt is made to lighten the burden of the farmers of the west by giving them a slight reduction of two and a half per cent on mowers, binders, reapers, windmills, threshing outfits, axes, soybeans, sickles, edging knives, hoes, rakes, and pronged forks.

The old general tariff at 25 per cent is continued on all other agricultural implements such as ploughs, wagons, carriages, hay loaders, potato diggers, feed cutters, grain crushers, fanning mills, field rollers, and other agricultural implements.

While lemons and oranges have been placed on the free list an additional duty has been placed on raw sugar of 12 cents per 100 lbs. under the general tariff and 7 cents per 100 lbs. under the preferential. While it is impossible to grasp the full significance of the various schedules in a casual inspection enough can be discerned to enable us to know that the new tariff is calculated to still further increase the heavy taxation now borne by the people. The increases and the decreases are so mixed up with general and preferential schedules that it will take some time to separate them in detail and find out their exact bearing. As usual the laboring man comes in for the hardest knocks, and the modest housekeeper will rue the change which has added so largely to the price of sugar, even though she may have the compensating advantage as Mr. Fielding puts it, of free lemons and oranges. A rather sour retort. With regard to the British preference, on the whole the door is left a little wider and should give the British manufacturer a still further advantage.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Steps are being taken by C. W. Rowley, J. J. Young, of the Herald and other prominent gentlemen in Calgary to form a Canadian Club there. The object of the club is to foster Canadian patriotic sentiment, encourage love of our great country, acquaint citizens with its history and to encourage the study of the institutions, history, art, literature and resources of Canada. The object is a most laudable one and should be encouraged to the fullest extent. We are in the west for too prone to overlook our responsibilities as nation builders and in our efforts after the mighty dollar fail to give that encouragement to a purely Canadian patriotic sentiment the times demand. Not only should such a club be started in Calgary, but in every town in Alberta.

All honor to R. L. Borden for suggesting that the safety of a country is of greater validity than the statutes which guarantee unrestricted private ownership of coal deposits. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was all but horrified by Mr. Borden's hint to the effect that the government should lay "a high hand on private property" in coal deposits. Canada is assuredly the only English speaking nation and perhaps the only civilized country in the world blessed with a premier who could talk wonk, shallow nonsense in the presence of a great public calamity.—Toronto Telegram.

Compulsory military service is again being discussed in Great Britain. One writer claims that compulsory service is no more prejudicial to real freedom than compulsory education. Indeed, compulsory education was resisted in England as destructive to British freedom.

ANOTHER DISASTER IN REGINA.

Regina Dec. 3 The Wacoona, the largest hotel next to the destroyed Windsor in Regina, was burned to-night. The building had just been erected and men were at work on the interior furnishings. The losses will be in the neighborhood of \$75,000 to \$100,000. The building was five stories.

Starts Another Dreadnaught.

PORTSMOUTH, Eng., Dec. 3.—The keel pieces of another Dreadnaught were laid here by Admiral Sir Archibald Douglas, the commander in charge in Portsmouth this morning. The new battle ship will be larger and more powerful than the first Dreadnaught and as much of the preliminary work has already been done it is expected that her construction will progress rapidly.

Serious charges of graft are being made against high Russian officials over the provisioning of the famine-stricken provinces. Accounts should have been issued monthly, but so far no accounts have been published.

In the Vienna Parliament Wednesday the Czech radicals got wrath over a vote, rushed at the president, tore up and flung on the floor the papers upon his desk, and proceeded to impress their views on some of the German members with their fists.

It is being rumored in London that unless Belgium comes to a speedy settlement of the Congo horrors Britain and France will unite to call a European conference.

It is said in London that the British South Africa Company has offered to the Salvation Army free of charge a million acres of land in Rhodesia.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—John Alexander Dowie has become raving mad. His mind is now a wreck and it is believed his end is near. Two hundred of his followers in Zion gathered in Shiloh House, at Dowie's home to hear him deliver a sermon, and were confronted by a madman.

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Christmas Photos

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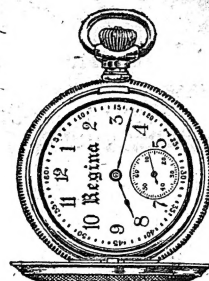
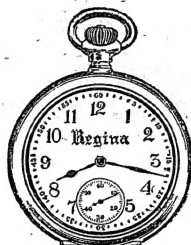
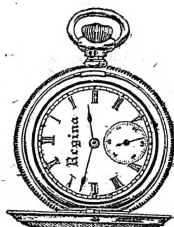
Feed and Sale Stables.

RED DEER.



A settler named Barnett residing East of Horn Hill, died under distressing circumstances a short time ago. He came in from the States with probably ten thousand dollars and purchased a couple of farms, got stock and implements around him and then started to drink whisky. A quiet neighbor came to talk to him and his only failing. It is claimed he drank three gallons of whisky a week, and he would take it to his shack in five gallon tins. He had neither wife nor family although he had a man working for him. Towards the last he swore off and was cured. He had been called in but he was too far gone to recover, and died. It is claimed, of actual want with thousands of dollars to his credit in the bank.

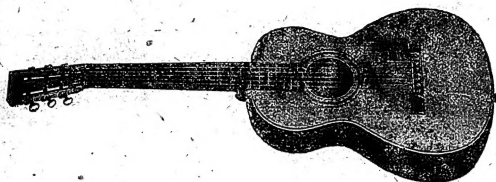
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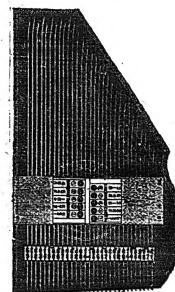
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R. A. JACOBSON - - Red Deer.

Caught Napping

By C. H. Sutcliffe
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Possibly a canoe is not the safest couch in the world, but Gwen Masters was given to the unexpected, and she lay stretched at full length on a blanket stretched over the floor.

The low sides of the tiny craft shut out a view of the shores of the lake and the bright camps that sparkled the dark green of the undergrowth here and there. Above rose the mountains in their majesty, and above all was the blue sky, flecked with tiny white clouds drifting as they on the surface of the blue as did the canoe on the placid waters of the lake.

It was a complete escape from civilization, and she dreamed her day dreams comfortably until the sun had spent her eyes and she dozed off.

It was her first day in camp after a hard year in the city, and the air was at once like wine and opium. So soundly did she sleep that she never heard the cling cling of a motor boat until the instant before its sharp nose struck the side of her canoe, overturning it completely and throwing her into the water.

The shock of the cold water roused her, and, diving, she came up against the side of the little motor boat, a young man lying beside the canoe, while a young man with a very white face eagerly scanned the water.

In an instant he had grasped her shoulder, and the next moment she lay gasping in the boat, while he, busied himself with righting the canoe and making it fast to the stern of the boat. Then he turned to her with concern.

"Don't know what you think of me," he began awkwardly. "I am, indeed, I'd hate to know, but really I had no intention of upsetting you."

"I don't suppose you did it deliberately," she admitted. "But it would seem to me that with a lake as large as this you should have had no trouble in avoiding the canoe."

"That was just it," he said apologetically. "I wasn't trying to avoid it. I thought the boat was drifting and I was going to win the thing by returning it. Then just as I came

alongside I caught a glimpse of you in the bottom, and I was startled, and so my hand struck on the wheel and I ran plump into the side instead of coming along as I had intended."

"I suppose that was rather startling," she conceded, "but there are no few camps on the lake that I had no idea I ought to put up a sign to the effect that 'I was away'."

"In yachting they fly the owner's flag," he suggested. "You might have a pennant made, say a white one, with a yellow stripe."

"I think I had better do my sleeping on shore after this," she laughed; "then I won't risk being awakened by a cold bath."

She shivered a little as she spoke, for there was a fresh wind blowing, and her water-soaked garments were unpleasantly cold. The man again took the wheel and came back bearing a blanket, which he wrapped about her.

"That is our camp over there," he said, indicating a tiny hut on the opposite shore. "The folks are all mountain climbing today, but I can get you some of my sister's things, and then I will take you to my camp."

"I think it would be better to take me right home," she objected. "It is not very far."

"It's a good three miles, and with this breeze you would be chilled through before you got there."

"I want to go straight home," she persisted, conscious the moment after of the childishness of the words.

"I got you into this trouble," he said firmly, "and I'm going to get you properly out of it."

There was a delightful mystery in his speech, and Gwen Masters, leaning back on the cushions, found it rather pleasant to be ordered about in this fashion. She had quenched it over her set all season, and she was now to have a glimpse of yellow, looking toward the white land.

At once across the camp appeared to be a rather pretentious building, for Clearwater lake. The tent was merely the annex to a commodious lodge.

She had intended to go against the gravel-herd man jumped out and without a word caught her up in his arms and stooped toward the lodge. He had been down in one of the shells with an injunction to sit still, but she disappeared into the house. Presently he returned, a smile on his face.

"The girls have a lot of fun," he said, "but step in and help yourself." He indicated the room and went off toward the boat.

"Twenty minutes later she emerged to find that in the meantime he had prepared a tasty lunch with the coffee pot bubbling over the camp oven. "Coffee better make it short," he said quietly. "I suppose you don't want to keep on working in a haunted foundry."

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John Ellison slowly descended from the carriage and turned toward the house. He walked slowly and with the bearing of a man utterly dejected. Nettie, watching him from the veranda, dropped her work and ran toward him.

"Was it any better today?" she asked anxiously. Her father shook his head.

"The day force went out when they came to work," he said. "The night force stopped work about 2 o'clock this morning."

"Don't you think that Ted could help?" she pleaded. "He knows the men so well."

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REPAIRING AN APPLE TREE.

A Michigan Orchardist Tells How He Fixed Up One That Was Badly Splitting At Crotch.

The accompanying illustrations shows a man in which I have just repaired a fine apple tree, writes S. B. Hartman, in The Orange Juice Farmer.

Three main branches had split away from each other and lay far away down the trunk. The illustration shows but a single tree, and the trunk is shown at the crotch, which has been working downward a little farther each year. I started a graft to make another crop of fruit to support of some kind and so hit upon the following method of bracing the framework.

I purchased three pulley blocks made of 1/2-inch rods, with a deep thread on the ends for about 3 inches.

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She had no friends as a girl, she had few as a wife, and as a widow and a capitalist people do not speak in her favor. She drove hard bargains and had no pity. If her capital or interest was not forthcoming on the day and date she invoked the aid of the law and accepted no excuses. She had always been a woman of strong opinion, now to avenge what she deemed a slight, and when she came to know the general opinion of the villagers she ground her teeth together and made up her mind to fight.

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